## What is claimed is:

- 1. Method for controlling or decreasing glycaemia in non insulin dependent diabetes subjects comprising the co-administration of a therapeutically effective dose of metformin and a statin as active components.
- 2. The method according to claim 1, wherein the statin is selected from the group consisting of lovastatin, fluvastatin, atorvastatin, simvastatin, pravastatin, itavastatin and rosuvastatin.

10

15

5

3. The method according to claim 1, wherein metformin is in the form of a salt selected from the group consisting of the hydrochloride, acetate, benzoate, citrate, fumarate, embonate, chlorophenoxyacetate, glycolate, palmoate, aspartate, methanesulphonate, maleate, parachlorophenoxyisobutyrate, formate, lactate, tartrate, cyclohexanecarboxylate, hexanoate, succinate, sulphate, octanoate, decanoate, hexadecanoate, octodecanoate, benzenesulphonate, trimethoxybenzoate, paratoluenesulphonate, adamantanecarboxylate, glycoxylate, glutamate, pyrrolidonecarboxylate, naphthalenesulphonate, 1-glucosephosphate, nitrate. sulphite, dithionate and phosphate.

20

- 4. The method according to claim 1, wherein metformin is in the form of a salt selected from the group consisting of the hydrochloride, fumarate, embonate, and chlorophenoxyacetate.
- 5. The method according to claim 1, wherein the statin is in the form of a salt selected from the group consisting of the sodium ion, potassium ion, magnesium ion, calcium ion, and an ammonium cation such as tetramethylammonium ion.
- 6. The method according to claim 1, wherein a unit dose administered contains from 0.1 to 100 mg of a statin.

- 7. The method according to claim 1, wherein a unit dose administered contains from 200 to 2000 mg of metformin.
- 8. The method according to claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of statin to metformin administered is in the range of about 1:2 to about 1:20000.
  - 9. The method according to claim 1, wherein the active components are administered in at least one form selected from the group consisting of: powders, tablets, coated tablets, dragees, troches, lozenges, dispersible granules, capsules and sachets.
  - 10. The method according to claim 1, wherein the active components are administered in at least one form selected from the group consisting of: solutions, suspensions and emulsions.

15

10

5

- 11. The method according to claim 1, wherein at least one active component is administered in the form of a controlled-release composition.
- 12. The method according to claim 1, wherein at least one active component is administered orally.
  - 13. The method according to claim 1, wherein the metformin and the statin are co-administered in the form of a combination composition wherein each dosage unit has a fixed ratio of the two active components.

25

14. The method according to claim 1, wherein the metformin and the statin are co-administered in separate dosage units from a kit comprising separate dosage units of metformin and of a statin.